

## TALKING IT OVER

BY JOE WILLIAMS

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—YOUNG ROBERT FLETCHER, coach of the Case team of Cleveland, resigns and announces lugubriously that "football is dying." Fletcher's team did not have a very good season. It lost a big percentage of its games. Such developments are calculated to breed morbidity and moroseness. To a coach, an alumnus or an undergraduate there is no life in defeat.

But Fletcher is wrong. Football is the one sport that is indubitably living. It reveals in a vitality that is robust, rugged and resplendent. It flows more vigorous with each passing season.

From October to December football compels and commands more concentrated interest than any other sport in the world, and it is a feverish, hysterical almost spiritual interest, as distinguished from the take-it-or-leave-it attitude that is bestowed upon some of the other sports.

FLETCHER must have been spoofing, and with this suspicion in mind I shall not call his attention to the fact that in the recent week-end games 90,000 persons saw California lose to Stanford, 60,000 saw Harvard beat Yale and 50,000 saw Notre Dame crush Northwestern. Nor shall I mention the harrowing fact that thousands of persons are staggering through the streets of New York at this precise moment offering any price for tickets to the Notre Dame-Army game which closes the local season at the stadium Saturday.

Fletcher had said that some of the other sports were dying he might have commanded the attention of more than a mere handful of listeners. There is the professional fight business, for example. Perhaps you would not say the professional fight business is dying, but nevertheless there are symptoms present which do not seem to argue for a long and untroubled existence.

CERTAINLY there is not the same sharp interest in the boxing business that there was in the Dempsey fellow was in there knocking them loose from their relatives, friends and acquaintances. Nobody seems to care particularly who is who or what is what in the heavyweight circle any more. When the Dempsey fellow left he took a lot with him, and the gents who make a business of promoting were not long in finding this to be the truth.

Gone Tunney, as a substitute, was unsatisfactory on two counts: He was not a thunderous puncher and he had no interest in the business beyond getting his million and departing therefrom with all haste. Still if Tunney had tarried the business would have continued to prosper after a fashion. Taking him by and large he was a splendid fighter and it would have taken a might good man to beat him.

Fletcher might even have remarked that baseball is dying and found a ready ear here and there. Whether this be true or not there are some who are inclined to believe it. The two big leagues did not have a very flattering season at the bat last summer. Only a few of the games made real money, and more than one of the clubs wound up in what the boys call the red.

TO be sure the world series still commands a tremendous national-wide interest, but this is simply a glorified spectacle of the diamond, a feverishly ballyhooed pageant, and its connection with the day by day routine is only incidental, and in no way a true measure of local enthusiasms.

## —Stove League Chatter—

BY EDDIE ASH

AN attractive exhibition schedule is being arranged for Johnny Corriden's Indians next spring and several dates have been closed. The Hoosiers will wear the shamrock green on St. Patrick's day, March 17, in Sarasota, Fla., battling Bucky Harris' Detroit Tigers and on March 21 the Tigers will be met at Tampa. The Detroit pastimers also will be met in Indianapolis, April 8, after the Tribesmen return home from their Florida camp.

Gabby Street's St. Louis Cardinals will take on the Indians at Sarasota March 23 and the Tribe has arranged a series of three tilts with the Rochester champions of the International League, March 25, at Sarasota, and April 5 and 6, at Plant City.

DETROIT WILL TRAIN AT TAMPA. THE CARDINALS AT BRADENTON AND ROCHESTER AT PLANT CITY. THERE WILL BE OTHER FLORIDA ENGAGEMENTS FOR THE CORRIDEN CREW. DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED LATER.

OF keen interest to Indianapolis fans is the announcement to day that Ownie Bush's Chicago White Sox will tangle up with John McGraw's New York Giants at Washington park April 9. This contest will be given a big play over Hoosierdom for there will be something worth looking at.

All of the Giant stars and White Sox regulars, including the "Great" Art Shires, will be here with the two big league clubs, as well as the popular and peppery Ownie Bush wearing the Alabaster hose and "Little Napoleon" McGraw, the gray-tinted veteran chief of the Giants. Giants and Sox will train in different parks at San Antonio, Tex., and then go on tour together.

THIS COLUMN INNOCENTLY SCOOPED THE PRESS ASSOCIATIONS AGAIN ON A BIG LEAGUE DEAL. LAST WEEK STOVE LEAGUE ANNOUNCED THE CARDINALS WERE DICKERING FOR THE OUTRIGHT PURCHASE OF SPARKY ADAMS FROM THE PITTSBURGH PIRATES. THE DEAL WAS ANNOUNCED TUESDAY.

HERE'S another one. We told Times readers some time ago that Pitcher Burleigh Grimes and Manager Ens of the Pirates had engaged in an argument during a local season game that proved to become a serious matter. Eventually this fact was admitted in Pittsburgh. Some scribes say the trouble grew out of a play on the field while others declare Grimes criticized Ens for not using Sparky Adams on second.

# Butler and Loyola Warriors on Edge for Holiday Clash Here

## A. A. to Play 154 Contests Next Season

14 Games Cut Off 1930 Schedule; Season to End Sept. 21.

CHICAGO, Nov. 27.—The American Association will play a 154-game schedule during 1930 and the season will open on April 15 and end Sept. 21, according to an agreement reached in the annual meeting here last Tuesday.

Presidents of the eight clubs, in session with President Thomas Hickey, ruled that the western clubs should open in the east. Opening dates were announced as follows: Minneapolis at Toledo.

St. Paul at Columbus. Kansas City at Indianapolis. Milwaukee at Louisville.

There was some agitation in the meeting for a 168-game schedule, but this finally was overruled. Oscar J. Smith, president of the Toledo club, led the opposition to the reduction of the schedule from 168 games to 154, and at one time Tuesday President Hickey expressed the opinion the Smith forces appeared to be winning the point.

However, when it was pointed out that the season would close only one week earlier than usual with 154 games and that with the "shorter route" there might be a chance to reduce the player limit from twenty to eighteen, the magnates thereupon decided to lop off fourteen games. The question of slicing the player limit will be taken up at Chattanooga next month during the big minor league convention.

## Rosenbloom Out as Light Heavy Title Contender

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Maxey Rosenbloom of New York was withdrawn as leading contender for the vacated light heavyweight championship by the New York state athletic commission because of his defeat at the hands of Jimmy Slattery of Buffalo Monday night. Slattery was substituted for Rosenbloom and may take Rosenbloom's place against Yale Okun in Madison Square Garden, Dec. 9. George Courtney of Oklahoma and Lou Scozza complete the list of leading 175-pound contenders.

## GRID CHAMPS HONORED

Members of the St. Patrick football team, senior Catholic school league champions, were guests at a banquet given by the mothers of the players Tuesday night. Father George Sebastian and the Rev. John O'Connell were principal speakers. Lawrence Stegmeyer, assistant coach; Heze Clark and Henry Ausman.

Each player was awarded a gold football and the undefeated team was presented with a large silver cup by the Em-Roe Sporting Goods Company.

At all events it is now believed Grimes is on the market and that the Cincinnati Reds may land him in a deal that would send Hughie Crite and a pitcher to the Pirates. It's a cinch the Bucs will demand "plenty" in exchange for a flinger of Burleigh's caliber.

JOE MCARTHY'S CUBS, USUALLY A VICTIM WHEN FACING GRIMES, ARE BURNING UP TO OBTAIN THE ST. PATRICK SPITBALLER, BUT IT WOULD BE UNWISE FOR OWNER DREYFUSS TO PERMITS A CONSISTENT WINNER TO LAND WITH A PERMANENT CONTENDING RIVAL.

JEWEL ENS is said to have been promised "free reins" as Buc pilot, but the "free reins" stuff in baseball goes with most owners only while their club is enjoying the fruits of victory.

Bill Burwell, veteran Indianapolis hurler, recently was called to his old home at Leavenworth, Kan., on account of the death of his father.

Jess Petty, "Silver Fox" southpaw and former local hero, now with the Pirates, went to his old home in Texas after the 1929 campaign and was knocked out by appendicitis. It was necessary to use the knife and Petty's "Jesse" is said to be on the mend after a tough struggle.

## Independent Net Notes, Gossip

St. Phillips B. C. will be back on the hardwood this season with a strong team. Clement, Spaulding, Marney, Schir, D. O'Connor, Hickey, Richey, Burnell, Morland, and O'Connor are on the squad. Saints desire games with city and state club players on the 16 to 17-year-old class. Call Ch. 3806-R and ask for Tom.

Although South Side Turners showed up for their club on Tuesday night, 22, they are taking no chances with the Blue Cube next Sunday, and will practice tonight at 8 p. m. Turners face some stiff opposition this season.

In the Evangelical-Reformed basketball league games Tuesday Second Evangelical won from Friedens Evangelical 43 to 22. Evangelical was trimmed by Second Reformed 29 to 10, and St. John Evangelical conquered Immanuel Reformed 28 to 15.

Dinner Bells have access to a gym Thursday evening. Any city team desiring game get in touch with Dan Harper, 2119 East Tenth street. Following players: Jack, Demmy, Berry, Dubner and R. Darner.

MANUAL NETTERS PLAY Manual basketball pastimers will oppose Rushville at Rushville to night, and are in good shape after a week of drills on shots and defense. Armour and Regenstrief, forwards; Kline, center, and Combs and Hanna, guards, form the probable starting lineup.

## Bulldogs Pronounced in Best Shape of Year to Tackle Southerners.

LIGHT DRILLS END WORK

Big Crowd Expected If Weather Clears.

Light signal drills in Butler bowl this afternoon were to end the preparations of Butler and Loyola of the South for their Turkey day battle here Thursday.

The New Orleans squad arrived in Indianapolis this morning, and were to work out at 2:30 this afternoon. Coach Shaughnessy selected twenty-three warriors, ten backs, four ends and nine linemen, to make the trip, leaving behind two of his regulars. Charley Keller, guard and tackle, is nursing a knee injury, and Tom Bridges, half back, who averaged five yards against Haskell, still is at his home in Asherton, Tex., where his mother is critically ill. The remainder of the Wolfpack is in excellent condition, Shaughnessy reported.

Clark Tests Defense Butler also was reported in top shape for the game after a heavy workout Tuesday evening. Coach Clark continued to strengthen his defense for the deceptive formations which have been employed successfully by Loyola this season.

In workouts this week, the Bulldogs mentor has indicated he may rely on straight football to crush the light and speedy southerners. He also hinted that he may start shock troops in the game Thursday.

Lineup Uncertain Coach Shaughnessy would not issue a definite lineup for the game but is expected to start Lopez, the brilliant quarter back, regarded as one of the best in the south, Fannin, and Tetlow at halves, Lurry at full back; Allen and Blasi, ends; Gallen and Mixon, tackles; Sehrt and Tajague, guards, and Flynn, center. Peskin or Juge may start in Fannin's place at half.

One of the largest crowds of the season is expected at the bowl if weather conditions are favorable. The kickoff is slated for 2 p. m.

## CHICAGO NETTERS LEAD

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Chicago leads the American Professional Basketball League with a perfect record as the result of a four-point victory over the Ft. Wayne Hoosiers. The standing including games of Nov. 25, follows:

## Four Teams in

## Four Teams in Running for Times High School Trophy

Horace Mann, Goshen, Newcastle and New Albany All Have Fine Records During Current Season.

BY DICK MILLER Within the next ten days decision will be made on the time to receive the 1929 Indianapolis Times trophy awarded annually to the outstanding high school football team of the year in Indiana. Given with the approval of the Indiana high school athletic association board of control, the trophy is not awarded to a team as champion, the athletic association desiring the award be

## Happy Atherton in Monday Bout

Five bouts will be staged next Monday night at Tomlinson hall by the Shamrock A. C. and in the main go of ten rounds Happy Atherton, Indianapolis star flyweight, will tangle up with Anastasio Vaquero of Panama, the speedily rising boxer who decisively outpointed Jackie Coogan here Monday night over the eight-round route.

In addition to the ten-round main go next Monday there will be two eight-rounders, a six-rounder and a four.

Vaquero, from Panama, has been in the States only since last July. He has a valuable belt which he says was awarded him for winning the flyweight title in his country. His age is 22.

## Dedicate New Gym at Tech High School

Dedication of the new gymnasium at Technical high school, seating 5,500 will take place tonight at 8. The dedication exercises will be divided in two parts, the first to be a physical training exhibition by girls and the second a basketball game between the alumni team, made up of players from last year's squad which was runner-up for the state championship, and members of the team of the present season.

The program for tonight, arranged by Fred Gorman, athletic director, carries A. L. Trester, commissioner of state high school athletics, as principal speaker.

## BALDWIN CUE VICTOR

After trailing by a large margin, Harry Baldwin came back to defeat Lewis Vogler in an eighty-nine inning match of the state three-cushion billiard tournament, 50 to 40, at the Cooler parlor Tuesday. Baldwin displaced Vogler in fourth place by his victory.

Charles Carter, first place holder, faces Walter Ramsey tonight.

## DI VODI SCORES K. O.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Andy Di Vodi, Bay Ridge welterweight, knocked out Marty Roth of New York in the third round at the Broadway arena, Brooklyn, Tuesday night with a right hand punch to the jaw.

## Loyola Aces Who'll Oppose Bulldogs



## Kid Wagner Is Winner

Rose Loses Close Verdict in Armory Feature.

Billy Rose's right eye and nose absorbed too many of Eddie (Kid) Wagner's left jabs in the main go at the Armory Tuesday night, and the Cincinnati pug dropped a close decision. Rose opened up in the second and tenth, but his big margins in these rounds weren't enough to offset the Philadelphia's slight edges in four other frames. Four were even.

Wagner whipped Rose the same way George Korwin of Chicago did—in a defensive battle. And it was the same left jab that proved Rose's downfall against both battlers. Otto Atterson, Terre Haute, defeated Jess McMurtry, Cincinnati, in six rounds. In four-rounders, Willard Brown, Indianapolis, shaded Bruce Britt, Terre Haute; Young Jess had the edge over Henry Brentlinger, Terre Haute; Young Leach, lost to Young French by a shade; Rex Whitehead, Anderson, held a narrow margin over Jimmie Reynolds, Ft. Harrison, and Soldier Goldsby, Ft. Harrison, floored Bob Sparks, Anderson, in the first round. Merle Alie, Indianapolis featherweight, will meet Billy Shaw, Detroit, in the ten-round feature next Tuesday.

## I. U., Notre Dame to Play in 1930

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Nov. 27.—Indiana and Notre Dame will continue their gridiron rivalry again next year in the new stadium at South Bend, Pat Page, I. U. mentor, announced Tuesday before starting east. The date for the contest has not been set. Page will see the Penn-Cornell game Thursday, and Notre Dame and Army Saturday.

## Badger Coach May Take Washington Berth

MADISON, Wis., Nov. 27.—Glenn Thistlethwaite, coach of Wisconsin, was on his way to New York today presumably to confer with University of Washington officials regarding acceptance of the post left vacant by resignation of Coach Bagshaw. Thistlethwaite's departure was confirmed by his wife, who said her husband had been offered Bagshaw's position. George Little, director of athletics at Wisconsin, said his department would not stand in Thistlethwaite's way.

## S. H. S. NAMES BULLEIT

Lorrien Bulleit, back field star of the 1929 city champion Shortridge football squad, was honored Tuesday when he was elected captain for 1930 by the sixteen letter men at a banquet given the team by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cooper, parents of Harry Cooper Jr., team center. Bulleit scored the touchdown that defeated Tech in the city championship game. Cooper was toastmaster and talks were made by Charles F. Miller, superintendent of schools; George Buck, principal of Shortridge; Emmett Rice, vice-principal; Coach Goldberry; Simon P. Roache, athletic supervisor; Russell Julius, athletic manager, and Coaches Rath, Messersmith, Knight and Naylor.

## APOLOGY IS ORDERED

ANDERSON, Ind., Nov. 27.—Raymond Johnston, Thorntown high school coach, has been requested by the Indiana High School Athletic Association to submit a written apology to Homer Stonebraker and Clifford Wells of Logansport, for alleged discourteous treatment by the Thorntown team during the Thorntown-Lebanon football game, which they officiated.

## CITY BASKET LEAGUE

Second round games in the City Basketball League were staged at the Y. M. C. A. Tuesday night and the three games resulted as follows: Sahara Grotto, 35; Marmons, 11.

Earl Radiss, 29; Beech Grove Big Four, 18. Big Four A. A., 38; Hayes Body, 21. Sahara Grotto and Big Four A. A. teams are tied for the league lead each with two victories and no defeats.

## BUTLER RUNNERS ENTER

Captain Joe Sivak, Ray Urbain, Berwin Jones, Roy Kistler, Chester Seigrist and Levere Lett were to leave this afternoon for Louisville, where they will represent Butler in the Y. M. H. A. cross-country run Thursday. Coach Herman Phillips also named Boaz, Fagley, Johnson, Husted, Casey and Duvall on a freshman team to make the trip.

## MACK BEATS MORGAN

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 27.—Eddie Mack, Colorado collegian, won the decision over Ted Morgan, junior lightweight champion, in a ten-round nontitle bout here Tuesday.

## VAN NICE ELECTED

CHICAGO, Nov. 27.—Erret Van Nice, half back has been elected captain of the University of Chicago football team during the 1930 season.

## Professor Picks Entire Squad of Italian Players

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark., Nov. 27.—Professor Luigi A. Passarelli, who lays aside his Italian textbooks on football days at the University of Arkansas and becomes a rabid rooster for the razor-backs, has selected his own mythical eleven, the all-Italian-American squad. His selection, representing seven schools, was made after a careful study of records for the season. His Italian-American all stars follow: Left End—Stomelo, Colgate. Left Tackle—Diniello, Pittsburgh. Left Guard—Cordovano, Georgetown. Center—Siano, Fordham. Right Tackle—Morelli, Boston College. Right End—Alverini, Holy Cross. Quarter Back—Carideo, Notre Dame. Left Half—Scallie, Georgetown. Right Half—Savolli, Notre Dame. Full Back—Macaluso, Colgate.

## Iowa Big Ten Plea Ready

Hawkeye Officials Refuse to Discuss Report.

IOWA CITY, Ia., Nov. 27.—Contents of the report upon which the University of Iowa will base its plea for reinstatement in the Big Ten will not be made public until the conference meeting Dec. 6, university officials have announced. The report, according to information received, has been approved by the board in control of athletics. However, Dean C. C. Williams and T. H. Lauer, director of physical education, said the contents of the report would not be revealed until it is presented to the conference board.

## Games on Air Thursday

Penn vs. Cornell (NBC Network)—WEAF, WTIC, WJAR, WTAG, WLIT, WRG, WGY, WGR, WTAM, KSD, WOC, WDAF, KSTP, KSL, WGN. Central time 12:45. Penn vs. Cornell (CBS Network)—WABC, WCCO, WWNC, WLAC, WJAB, WFBM, WKBF, WMAL, WHP, WREC, WDBJ, KYDL, also WGN, Chicago. Central time 12:45. Penn vs. Cornell—WIP, Philadelphia. Central time 1:00. Sewanee vs. Vanderbilt—WSM, Nashville. Central time 2:00. Creighton vs. Grinnell—WOW, Omaha. Central time 2:00. St. Xavier vs. Haskell Indians—WLW, Cincinnati. Central time 1:00. Marquette vs. Kansas Azules—WHAD, Milwaukee. Central time 2:00.

## SEGRAVE IN REGATTA ARMY DRILLS DEFENSE

Auto Speed Record Holder to Enter Three Boats at Detroit. Artificial Lights Used in Long Workout for Notre Dame.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Major Sir H. O. D. Segrave, holder of the automobile speed record, will have three speedboats in the international regatta at Detroit next summer, according to information brought back from Brussels by J. Lee Barrett, secretary-treasurer of the Yachtsmen's Association of America.

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